

Remarks

Objections to the Drawings

The Examiner has objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a). The Examiner appears to contend that the "window" of claim 18 is not shown in the drawings. The Applicants respectfully disagree. The Applicants direct the Examiners attention to Figure 3 and, specifically, the element identified as 214 in Figure 3. In paragraph 0028 of the subject application, near the bottom of page 9 and the top of page 10, the written description discloses that:

Ambient light may be modified to take advantage of the absorption properties of the projection screen 104, thereby improving the contrast ratio of a display on the projection screen 104 over instances in which unmodified ambient light is encountered. For example, sunlight 212 includes light in each range of wavelengths of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet visible light. A **window 214** includes a light filtering structure, such as an optical film, that absorbs and/or reflects ranges of visible light that correspond to ranges of visible light that are output by the projector 102, which in this instance are respective ranges of red, green and blue light. The **window 214**, however, does not filter light that is absorbed by the absorption material 202 of the projection screen 104. Therefore, light 216 that is transmitted through the window has reduced amounts of light in the red, green and blue wavelengths and higher respective amounts of orange, yellow, indigo and violet light, which is illustrated in FIG 2 by the letters "rOYgbIV". Because of the absorptive properties of the projection screen 104, light 218 that is reflected by the projection screen 104 from the light 216 has reduced amounts of orange, yellow, indigo and violet light. The reflective properties of the projection screen 104 reflect red, green and blue wavelengths of light. Therefore, light 218 reflected from the projection screen 104 may have similar amounts of light at each respective range of wavelengths, which is illustrated in FIG. 2 with the letters "roygbiv". In this way, interference of the sunlight 212 with an output on the projection screen 104 is reduced, thereby improving the contrast ratio of the projection screen 104, yet ambient light is still provided in an environment that includes the projection screen 104 and the **window 214**. (emphasis added)

Therefore, the Applicants contend that a feature is shown in Figure 3 upon which

the claim limitation of "window" in claim 18 reads. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the drawings.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3, 6-12, 15-17, 19, 22-25, 28-30 and 33 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by United States patent number 6,769,774 issued to McDowell (hereinafter referred to as McDowell). The Applicants have amended claims to overcome the Examiner's rejections.

Rejections of claims 1-3 and 6-9 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claim 1 has been amended to include subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable. Claims 2-3 and 6-9 are dependent, either directly or indirectly, upon the amended claim 1 and thereby incorporate all the limitations of the amended claim 1. Therefore, for at least the reason that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of the amended claim 1 over McDowell is not present, a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 2-3 and 6-9 over McDowell is not present. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 1-3 and 6-9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Rejections of claims 10-12 and 15 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claim 10 has been amended to include subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable. Claims 11-12 and 15 are dependent, either directly or indirectly, upon the amended claim 10 and thereby incorporate all the limitations of the amended claim 10. Therefore, for at least the reason that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of the amended claim 10 over McDowell is not present, a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 11-12 and 15 over McDowell is not present. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 11-12 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Rejections of claims 16-17 and 19 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claim 16 has been amended to include subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable. Claims 17 and 19 are dependent, either directly or indirectly, upon the amended claim 16 and thereby incorporate all the limitations of the amended claim 16. Therefore, for at least the reason that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of the amended claim 16 over McDowell is not present, a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 17 and 19 over McDowell is not present. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 16-17 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Rejections of claims 22-25 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claim 22 has been amended to include subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable. Claims 23-25 are dependent, either directly or indirectly, upon the amended claim 22 and thereby incorporate all the limitations of the amended claim 22. Therefore, for at least the reason that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of the amended claim 22 over McDowell is not present, a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 23-25 over McDowell is not present. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 23-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Rejections of claims 28-30 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claim 28 has been amended to include subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable. Claims 29-30 are dependent, either directly or indirectly, upon the amended claim 28 and thereby incorporate all the limitations of the amended claim 28. Therefore, for at least the reason that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of the amended claim 28 over McDowell is not present, a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 29-30 over McDowell is not present. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections of claims 28-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Rejection of claim 33 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claim 33 has been amended to include subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable. Therefore, a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of the amended claim 33 over McDowell is not present. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections of claim 33 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

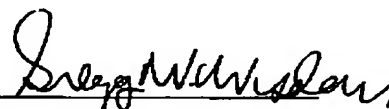
Objections to Claims 4-5, 13-14, 18, 20, 21, 26, 27, and 31-32

The Examiner has objected to claims 4-5, 13-14, 18, 20, 21, 26, 27, and 31-32 as dependent upon a rejected base claim but indicated that these claims included allowable subject matter. In view of the previously described amendments made to claims, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of these objections to the claims.

Conclusion

The Applicants respectfully contend that the subject application is in a condition for allowance. Allowance is respectfully requested.

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